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Use of advanced engineering materials in the shield eliminates crosstalk resonances, which appear as ringing through multiple bit periods in time-domain based measurements.

A unique 3-D resonance damping shield enables very low crosstalk across a wide frequency spectrum.
Proven Reliability of Press Fit Attachment with Improved Impedance Performance

The XCede interconnect platform offers multiple compliant pin sizes from 13.7-18 mil (0.35mm - 0.46mm) finished hole size. Available for both daughter card and backplane plated through holes, these optional compliant pin sizes allow for several backdrilling depths, dual diameter vias, and improved footprint impedance, enabling thinner midplanes with shared vias.

Exceptional Robustness

The XCede backplane connector system provides mechanical longevity and ruggedness required by today’s systems. Wide shield contacts feature a stiffness enhancing rib and are advanced well ahead of the signals for “drag your finger across” robustness. Daughter card connectors feature Amphenol’s integral stiffener which allows designers to incorporate all components, including power and guidance, into one robust assembly.

User Flexibility

Escape on all four sides of a connector module with secondary routing channels between the double ground vias in each column. This flexibility can cut the number of routing layers in half and help route congested areas.

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- Custom right angle daughtercard connectors with female receptacle assembled on an integral stiffener
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- Mates with standard XCede backplane modules
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Stacker

- Enables parallel board to board designs with the same high levels of performance and reliability as the standard right angle version of XCede
- 4-Pair provides the density and mechanical robustness to address increasing I/O counts
- Optimized cost by selecting daughtercard wafers designed without resonance damping polymer
- Modular construction and guidance options allow optimized connector lengths for each application
- Heights available from 17mm up to 44mm
- Press fit attachment
- Available for 85 and 100 ohm impedance

Cable Connectors & Assemblies

- Ideal for front panel and backplane connections
- Provides the same industry leading electrical and mechanical performance as the standard right angle connectors
- Available in 2-Pair and 4-Pair configurations
- Tightly matched impedance control at the cable termination
- Water are available for 85 and 100 ohm impedance
- Designed to mate with XCede coplanar and backplane connectors
- Supports multiple cable designs ranging from 24 to 30 AWG

Coplanar

- Custom right angle daughtercard with male pin assembled on unique stiffener
- Mates with standard right angle female daughtercard connectors
- Available for 85 and 100 ohm impedance

XCede 85 ohm is designed for PCI Express 2.0 and 3.0, the Intel® QuickPath Architecture, and other applications where matching the connector impedance to an 85 Ohm system impedance is desired.

XCede cable assemblies provide some of the lowest crosstalk on the market and support higher speed requirements with tightly matched impedance control at the cable termination.

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